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**FOUNDER'S DAY AT THE SEMINARY**

Seminary and Mount Hermon Unite in Celebration.

The celebration of Founder's Day of the Northfield Schools took place on the most inclement day of the winter. But the spirits of the young people were not dampened even if their clothing did suffer. The officials of the schools did all possible to make the day a memorable one.

Thursday at 10.30 a memorial service for the late D. L. Moody was held at Russell Sage Chapel where president, W. H. Moody spoke of the early years of his father. He was assisted in the service by Dr. H. F. Cutler of Mount Hermon and by Dr. C. E. Dickerson of Northfield Seminary.

The Mount Hermon Students were entertained for a turkey dinner at the various dormitories where they had friends or where they met new friends. In-door games were enjoyed after the dinner until 3.30 p.m. when they gathered at the auditorium for the movie, Twenty Dollars a Week, which featured George Arliss.

Conveyances carried the boys to and from the seminary. Many of the faculty visited the Birthplace for the periods between events. In the evening the senior classes of both schools were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moody at The Northfield. The juniors of the seminary were the guests of their brother class at Mt. Hermon for the evening.

Johnson-Coolbrith.

A very pretty wedding took place at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon when Miss Ionia Harriett Johnson, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Johnson, and Harry Clark Coolbrith, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Coolbrith of Rowe, Mass., were united in marriage at the home of the bride. The Rev. E. E. Jones, pastor of Union church, officiating, using the double ring service. Only relatives were present.

The wedding march from "Lohengrin" was played by Miss Ellen Johnson, sister of the bride, at the piano, assisted by Chester Brown, violin. They also rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march at the close, and played several selections during the reception period.

The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Gertrude Brown, as bride's maid, and her brother, Dwight Johnson, as best man.

The bride wore a gown of Navy blue satin back crepe, trimmed with gold lace and fur, and carried an arm bouquet of buttermilk roses. Her bride's maid wore a green satin back crepe, trimmed with lace, and carried pink carnations.

After the ceremony refreshments of cake and ice cream and bride's cake was served.

Mr. Coolbrith is a graduate of Northfield High school class of 1916 and for the past five years was employed in the offices of the Holstien-Friesian association in Brattleboro. She has been very active in the work of Union church of which she is a member and a teacher in the Sunday school and is an officer in the Grange.

Mr. Coolbrith attended school in Rowe and for the past three years has been employed as lineman for the New England Power Co. Both young people have a host of friends who extend congratulations, and are pleased to know they are to live in town.

After a short wedding trip they will begin housekeeping in the Grange building where they have a furnished apartment. They received beautiful gifts of furniture, silver, china cut glass, linen, pictures etc.

Frank R. Stebbins.

Frank Reed Stebbins, 44, of 69 Canal street, Brattleboro, passenger conductor for the Boston & Maine Railroad Co., died of acute dilation of the heart at 9.50 o'clock Friday, February 13, at the Memorial hospital in Brattleboro, where he was taken a few weeks ago. He has been confined to the house since December 19.

He was the only son and one of the three children of J. A. Stebbins and Nellie (Reed) Stebbins and was born February 7, 1881, in South Vernon. He attended grammar schools in Northfield and lived in the home of his uncle, J. A. Fisher of Northfield.

Mr. Stebbins married Miss Inez S. Meacham of Hinsdale, N. H., September 27, 1904. They began keeping house in South Vernon and later in Northampton and Springfield, going to Brattleboro in 1918.

Beside his wife he leaves two sons, Roy, who is employed by E. L. Hilldrup & Co., printers, and Robert, a junior in Brattleboro high school; also his father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stebbins of East Northfield, and a sister, Mrs. L. S. Nash of Springfield. A sister, Mrs. Harry Parker died in 1908.

Mr. Stebbins was a member of the Centre Congregational church, Harmony Lodge of Masons of Northfield, Beaconsfield Commandery, Knights Templar, and Webster Lodge of Perfection, both of Brattleboro, Amity Lodge of Odd Fellows in Springfield, and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

The funeral was held at 2.30 Monday afternoon in Centre church, Brattleboro, Rev. Dr. Herbert P. Woodin, pastor, officiating.

Robert Thomas, C. P. Buffum and Clarence Steadler of Harmony Lodge of Masons attended the funeral.

Library Notes.

The first of the new books added to Dickinson library this year are juvenile, and will be placed on the shelves Saturday.

The plants loaned by Mrs. N. P. Wood and Mrs. J. F. Bittinger add greatly to the attractiveness of the reading room.

**CHURCH SOCIAL  
WELL ATTENDED**

Approximately 500 People attended Congregational Church Social.

Fully 500 people associated with the Congregational church attended the social on Monday evening given under the direction of Mrs. A. P. Flitt and the entertainment committee in the vestry.

Attics, old chests, trunks and closets through out the town gave heir choice old apparel for the costumes for this occasion. A large number of those attending wore clothing of the Lincoln or Washington period, with powdered hair or wig, and it was truly a festival occasion. Candles and lanterns furnished the lighting, with flags on the walls and heaps of red apples on the window shelves for decorations.

An improvised stage was furnished as a living room of Washington's day, where the program was given, the first part of which included two patriotic songs and a prayer offered by Rev. F. W. Pattison, a military drill by the officers of the Brigade and a dialogue. The latter was most interesting. The scene was laid in Philadelphia just previous to the out break of the Revolution. Mrs. N. P. Stanley as Mrs. Pendennis, a Tory, calls upon Miss Alice Parsons, as Mrs. Lee, a Colonialist. The dialogue was in regard to secession. Mrs. Flitt as Mrs. Morris, was a guest at the home of Mrs. Lee. Their costuming was exquisite.

After a short intermission The Old Folks Chorus of thirty voices filed to the stage. Philip Porter impersonated the old time chorister to perfection and many of the old favorites were given mid rounds of applause. Long will be remembered "The Little Farm Well Tilled," sung by Messrs. Porter, Flitt and Waite, also "Sister Ruth," a duet, by Mr. Porter and Miss Mary Spencer. Other special features were the song "Long, Long Ago," by the junior quartet, composed of G. Buffum, C. Holton, R. Porter, and G. Reed. Three solos by Miss Ethel Gent, "Annie Laurie," "Ben Bolt" and "My Grandma's Advice." The Yankee Sleighride, sung by Homer Niemi. Miss V. F. Richardson rendered piano solos, Miss Helen Corday accompanied Miss Gent on the piano and Miss Daisy Holton was accompanist for Old Folk's Concert. One can not speak to highly of each feature presented and each was received with prolonged applause. The concert closed with the song, Bleat be the Tie that Binds, sung by all. Rev. F. W. Pattison then said, "If you have enjoyed the program presented by the mistress of ceremonies, Mrs. A. P. Flitt just express it by clapping. For fully five minutes the air was deafening.

The final feature of the evening was the serving of doughnuts, coffee and apples by the social committee, directed by Mrs. S. E. Walker.

Mrs. Flitt's costume was an exact copy of a painting of Martha Washington and she admirably impersonated the part.

Mr. Flitt wore a military costume, the counterpart of the one familiar in pictures of George Washington.

The Auditorium.

In the Auditorium next Monday evening the picture will be Betsy Ross, featuring Alice Brady.

Betsy Ross, a widow, is commissioned by General Washington to make the first American flag. Her old lover, Ashburn, believing himself guilty of murder is living under an assumed name, while serving on the General's staff.

Clarissa, Betsy's sister, is married to Vernon, an officer of the British Army. When Vernon, fleeing the American sentry, begs Betsy to hide him she does so for her sister's sake. Later she turns him over to Ashburn who recognizes in him the man he thought he had killed. Vernon is saved from a traitor's death by the discovery of a paper telling of his discharge from the British Army.

There will also be a Jubilo, Junior Comedy.

Everybody knows Jubilo, the character made famous by Will Rogers. Rogers is seen telling of his boyhood days and Mickey Daniels plays the role of Jubilo as a youngster. Of course the rest of the Gang are on hand to make this a veritable riot of fun and surprises.

Ernest Metchman.

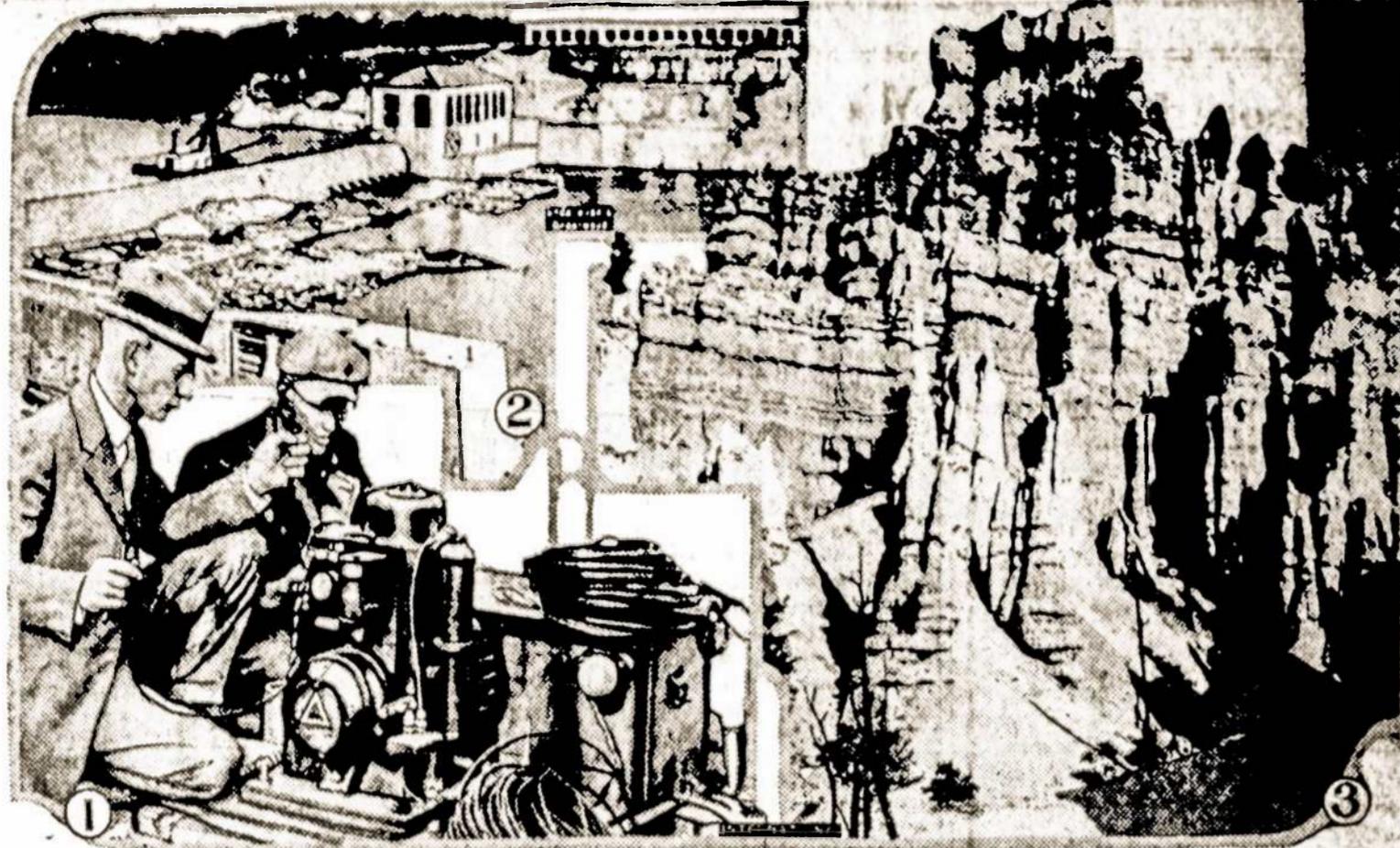
Ernest Metchman, who has been in poor health for the past three years, died at his home last Thursday afternoon. He was born in Saxony, Germany, in March 1856; came to Northfield in 1887, where he worked many years for Thomas Metcalf.

On May 1, 1894, he married Maria Moore, a niece of Mr. Metcalf; she died in March, 1906. In December, 1909 he purchased the farm of the late William Dickinson, and married Mrs. Katherine Cushman, in 1911, who survives him.

The funeral was held Sunday at 1 o'clock with Rev. F. W. Pattison officiating. Burial was in the family lot at Northfield Farms. The bearers were Charles Parker, Charles Leach, Frank Montague and Ernest Nash. Those who attended from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Lamson and son of Huntington; Mr. and Mrs. George Strange of Springfield; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hall and daughter of East Hampton; Mrs. Joseph Atwood and family of Northampton. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lamson of Amherst, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Doolittle of Bernardston, and Lewis T. Fairman of Vernon.

Northfield Grange.

A Washington Favor Dance will be held at Grange hall on Saturday evening, February 21. Snow's orchestra will furnish the music and a real good time is anticipated.



1—Minature electric plant set up at Sand cave, Kentucky, to supply light and heat to the entombed Floyd Collins and for radio signals. 2—Henry Ford's new \$10,000,000 plant at High dam on the Mississippi at St. Paul, which is to be opened about March 15. 3—Scene in Bryce canyon, in the Utah wonderland that opens as a national park May 15; it includes Zion national park and Cedar Breaks.

## NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

**Eugene Funk or Dr. Jardine May Be Picked for the Agriculture Portfolio.**

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE is said to be, at the time this is written, nearly ready to name his new secretary of agriculture, to succeed Mr. Gore on March 4 when that gentleman becomes governor of West Virginia. For several days it was believed that John G. Fields of Oklahoma City, publisher of farm papers, would get the position. Then two more names were brought forward, those of Eugene Funk, Illinois farmer and brother of Congressman Frank H. Funk, and William M. Jardine, president of the Kansas Agriculture college and a member of the President's agricultural conference. Mr. Funk belongs to a famous family of corn-belt farmers and is himself not only a practical agriculturist but an authority on farm economics and the marketing of food products. He is a graduate of Yale and studied also in Germany. It was believed he was just the kind of man the President was seeking.

Doctor Jardine had the united backing of the Kansas delegation in congress though it had previously endorsed J. C. Mohler for the post. So far as the theoretical side is concerned, his experience would seem to fit him to take the portfolio. Starting life as a cattle puncher in Montana, he later attended the Utah Agricultural college and in 1896 went to Washington as assistant United States cereals in charge of the grain work in the West. In 1900 he was made director of agronomy work in the Kansas college and in 1918 became its president. Doctor Jardine was in conference with the President last week, and also went before the senate committee on agriculture to explain some of his recommendations in the agriculture conference. He told the senators that agriculture in the United States is only passing through a normal post-war crisis and that it is certain to recover.

MEANWHILE President Coolidge is formulating an agricultural policy for the nation, based partly on the advice of Secretary Gore and the agricultural conference and largely on the ideas of Secretary of Commerce Hoover. Its fundamental principle is that the country shall be self-contained in the matter of production and consumption of food and clothing, that it shall raise all the farm products it needs, including those now imported, but shall cease to raise them for export. Another purpose is to increase the buying power of the entire community so as to increase the consumption of farm products at home and in turn warrant the increase of production beyond the normal accretion due to the growth of population. The fostering of co-operative marketing also enters largely into the plan. Representative Dickinson of Iowa, leader of the house farm bloc, says attempts are being made to "Hooverize" the Agriculture department.

UNDER suspension of the rules the house passed the Kelly bill providing for increases in postal salaries amounting to \$68,000,000 a year and for changes in the mail rates that are designed to add more than \$62,000,000 annually to the revenues of the Post Office department. This is a substitute for the bill which the senate passed and the house sent back. It provides for about \$21,000,000 more revenue than did the senate measure, and it makes the salary increases retroactive to January 1, 1925, instead of to July 1, 1924.

GENERAL MITCHELL'S fight for a unified air service is attracting more and more interest daily, but those who agree with his views do not now believe they will prevail, especially since the official announcement that President Coolidge is not in favor of a unified service. The Navy department bolstered its stand by issuing

ing a list of 21 eminent men and influential groups that are opposed to the views of Mitchell. This list comprised Gen. John J. Pershing, Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, Maj. Gen. Charles T. Menoher, former chief of army air service; the general staff, United States army, Rear Admirals William S. Sims, Bradley A. Fiske, W. F. Fulham, Charles E. Badger, Henry T. Mayo; Admiral Robert E. Coontz, commander in chief United States fleet; Rear Admiral H. S. Knapp, Vice Admiral Joseph Strauss, Capt. T. T. Craven, formerly director of naval aviation; Capt. Noble E. Irwin, formerly director of naval aviation; Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, present chief of the bureau of aeronautics; the general board of the navy, the national advisory committee for aeronautics, Marshal Foch, Marshal Haig, Admiral Jellicoe, Admiral Beatty.

The house aircraft committee heard more testimony from Mitchell, gave out a denial that any witnesses were muzzled by their superiors, and asked permission to defer making a report until the next congress because the time before March 4 is too short for the reaching of comprehensive conclusions.

CONGRESS learned officially last week that Coolidge and Dawes won the Presidential election. The houses met in joint session and received the tidings in the form of two mahogany boxes containing the certificates of the electors. The ballots were examined and pronounced "regular in form and properly authenticated" and Senator Cummins, the presiding officer, solemnly announced that Coolidge and Dawes had received 382 votes, Davis and Bryan 138 votes, and LaFollette and Wheeler 13 votes. This, he declared, was under the Constitution a sufficient decision of the persons elected, so the joint session came to an end. The mahogany boxes are made new each four years and are presented one to the outgoing vice-president—or in this instance to Senator Cummins—and the other to the incoming vice-president.

ARRANGEMENTS for the inauguration of Coolidge and Dawes on March 4 are nearing completion, but they have been tremendously curtailed by the President's determination that economy shall rule. As now planned, the affair will consist of the swearing in ceremony at the Capitol and a brief parade down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House. The governors may join in the procession, with their staffs, if they wish to, and army and navy detachments around Washington will be included. The projected fireworks display in the evening has been abandoned, and in place of the inaugural ball there will be a charity ball.

SO SERIOUS is the opposition to Charles B. Warren as attorney general that his appointment may fall by confirmation by the senate at this session of congress. It is due to his connection with the sugar trust and is voiced especially by Basil Manly, director of the People's Legislative service. In the first place Mr. Warren was at one time a representative of the American Sugar Refining company in the maintenance of holdings in beet sugar companies. Until a few days ago he was president of the Michigan Beet Sugar company which, together with other beet sugar concerns, has just been accused by the federal trade commission of conspiracy to suppress competition. Warren is named as one of the defendants.

Mr. Warren's friends retort with the assertion that the trade commission is continually instigating charges that turn out to be unfounded. They point to the fact that the commission in the course of its career has been upheld by the federal courts in 14 cases and has been overthrown in 35 cases.

SENATOR NORRIS is to have the investigation of the so-called power trust for which he has been clamoring. The senate has called on the federal trade commission to make such an inquiry, naming specifically the General Electric company and seeking to know the extent to which that company or its stockholders or security holders monopolize or control production, generation or transmission of power or electric energy. An

amendment to the resolution was adopted calling for an investigation of the American Tobacco company and the Imperial Tobacco company of Great Britain and their alleged efforts to hamper tobacco co-operatives.

TILL another investigation was demanded in the senate by Senator Howell of Nebraska, the subject of the proposed inquiry being the Van Sweringen-Nickel Plate merger of the Nickel Plate, Erie, Peru, Marquette, Chesapeake & Ohio and Hocking Valley lines, and the acquisition of the Gulf Coast lines by the Missouri Pacific. Mr. Howell said the Van Sweringen merger was being financed by J. P. Morgan & Co. and the First National bank of New York.

RAILROADS will continue to impose surcharges on passengers using Pullman facilities, the practice having been approved by the Interstate commerce commission. The majority opinion says "there is less warrant for eliminating the surcharge than for reducing the basic passenger fare which applies even to travel in mixed trains of freight and passenger cars."

GREAT BRITAIN, through Chancellor of the Exchequer Churchill, has made an informal proposal to France concerning the Anglo-French debt. Briefly, Britain repeats Ballfour's offer to make a heavy reduction in the debt provided France agrees to make fixed annual payments irrespective of the actual receipts from the Dawes annuities. France Minister Clement and other officials in Paris considered the British plan fair in principle and offering a satisfactory basis for negotiations. The government press in France agreed with this view, but the proposal was bitterly attacked by the nationalists and reactionary papers, which blamed America for forcing Britain to demand reimbursement. The finance committee of the French chamber of deputies has named a subcommittee to study the matter, and it is believed a conference will be held in London within a few weeks.

FOLLOWING the withdrawal of the United States and China because of dissatisfaction, the international opium conference at Geneva adopted a protocol and convention and adjourned sine die. Japan had threatened to quit but was placated by the insertion of a clause reaffirming the obligations of The Hague convention and making it clear that opium smoking is permitted only temporarily. The signers were Great Britain, India, France, Japan, Holland, Portugal and Siam.

ONE of the greatest disasters in German mining history occurred in the Stein mine at Dortmund where 144 men were entombed by an explosion, and at least 138 of them perished. The tragedy aroused the people to a state of anger that threatened revolution, for the mine owners were accused of failing to safeguard their employees and also of paying them starvation wages while selling coal at higher prices than the British and Americans.

MORE than 325 hours after Floyd Collins became entombed in Sand cave, Kentucky, by the fall of a boulder on his foot, the rescuers who were sinking a shaft from the top of the hill had reached the limestone roof of the cavern near which the young man was trapped. He had been without food for eight days and for two days those who listened with a microphone outfit for sounds of his heartbeats and breathing had heard nothing.

During the week the state military board conducted an investigation into the efforts to rescue that had been made and also into persistent reports that the whole affair started in a publicity scheme to attract visitors to the cave. There had even been stories that Collins was not in the cavern at all, but these and other wild tales were discredited by the testimony of most of the witnesses. However, the idea was held by many persons that Collins was the victim of a hoax, and the county attorney announced that there would be a grand jury inquiry and that charges of homicide might be lodged.

## NEW ENGLAND NEWS IN TABLOID FORM

### News of General Interest From the Six States

The Vermont Senate after a lengthy debate adopted the provisions of the Shepard-Townsend act by a vote of 26 to 2.

The University of Vermont band will accompany Governor Franklin S. Billings to Washington to participate in the inaugural parade. It was announced by President Guy W. Bailey of the University.

An autopsy performed on the body of Joseph Madore, who died in Presque Isle, Me., while on a sleigh ride with three other men, disclosed that death had been caused by drinking essence of wintergreen which contained 64 per cent of alcohol.

Massachusetts officers of the Grand Army, the American Legion, the Spanish War Veterans and the Boy Scouts appeared before the constitutional law committee to urge favorable report of resolutions asking Congress to pass a universal conscription law for use in time of war.

After filling all crevices around windows and doors, Mrs. Josephine Jarasz, 30, Westfield, Mass., turned on the gas and took her daughter Emily, 3 years old, in bed with her, where their dead bodies were found when the woman's husband, Peter, returned from his work.

Former Superior Court Judge Gardner Greene, and a State referee, died at his home in Norwich, Conn. He was a graduate of Yale in 1873 and Columbia Law School in 1877. He served eleven years as a judge of the Superior Court, retiring Aug. 31, 1921, having reached the age limit of 70 years.

The great prevalence of fog last week recalls to some of the older residents a saying of the late Harvey Clark of Rochester, Mass., which was: "For every foggy day in February there will be a frost in May." It is said that farmer folks in the suburbs have recorded fogs for fare which applies even to travel in mixed trains of freight and passenger cars."

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Noonan of 574 Javerhill street, Lawrence, Mass., and left a 12-pound baby boy. He is Mrs. Noonan's 15th child. Mr. Noonan is now the father of 27 children, 12 of them by a former marriage. He is the owner of a garage and was formerly in the insurance business.

The wife of the late Col. Charles M. Du Puy, president of the Pennsylvania Rubber Company, who died recently in Albuquerque, N. M., filed for probate, disposed of an estate valued at \$1,075,000. Two Maine guides, John H. Eastmund of Exeter, Me., and Arthur W. Eastman of Dexter, Me., were given his hunting boat at Moosehead Lake, Me., under the terms of the will.

A new phase of the Girl Scout movement, represented in a ship's company of Sea scouts, which has recently been formed at the Girls' Latin school in the Fenway, Boston, Mass., is attracting a great deal of attention among the girls who have not been fortunate enough to be eligible to join. Interest in the new venture has reached such a height, in fact, that a second company may be formed.

Following their conviction by a jury in the Federal court, Boston, on charges of manufacturing liquor, Morris Horwitz and Louis Zalman of Chelsea and John Turco of Bedford were charged with perjury during their trial by Judge Lowell and ordered prosecuted. The longest sentence in a liquor case in the history of the court was imposed on Horwitz, who was sent to Plymouth jail for six months.

Although a German police dog "swallowed" 13,000 volts of electricity at the Beech street station of the New England Power Company, Fitchburg, the dog, owned by a Pratt road resident, was revived in about two hours after being declared dead, and is showing no ill effects beyond severe burns. The dog crawled beneath the wire guard at the electricity arrester and succeeded in short-circuiting the system and blowing two fuses with cannon-like reports.

A library of the works of contemporary Jewish authors, consisting of 75 books, together with the Talmud and the Jewish encyclopedia, was presented to Holy Cross College by Worcester Lodge, Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, at elaborate exercises. The speech of presentation was made by Atty. B. L. Newton and letters of congratulation from Rabbi Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis and Sir Herbert Cohen of England were read.

A bill which would require the State to take some action to prevent noise on the air which interferes with radio reception was considered by the judiciary committee of the Connecticut legislature, but failed to have any friends or supporters. Those in opposition to the bill said the State could do nothing unless it stopped every electric light and telephone circuit, every battery charger, and every machine or vehicle which in operation gave out an impulse on the ether.

A bill providing for the establishment of a motorized State police force was introduced in the Rhode Island Senate by Senator Arthur A. Sherman of Portsmouth, and referred to the finance committee. An identical bill was presented in the House by Representative Rawlings of Richmond, and sent to the finance committee.

Work of the Catholic Charitable Bureau was summarized for 1923 in a report just made by the director, Rev. George P. O'Connor, to Cardinal O'Connell. During the past year the Bureau maintained one large central office in Boston, ten branch offices throughout the diocese, a director and assistant director in Boston, seven directors in the branch offices, 36 full-time workers, two part-time workers and 96 volunteers. A record of 49,349 persons was kept. The workers protected 1164 children in the juvenile courts of the archdiocese and to 479 gave special care.

At a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce, Bangor, Me., of 125 manufacturers and merchants, plans were made for concerted opposition to the freight rate increases proposed by the Maine Central Railroad. C. L. Whittemore, traffic manager of the New England Pulp and Paper Association, and Andrew P. Lane, traffic manager of the Great Northern Paper Company, were the principal speakers. It is intended to raise a fund of \$50,000 for the purpose of fighting the proposed rates and a strong delegation will present eastern Maine's remonstrance before the interstate commerce commission.

"Wake up New England!" was the plea addressed to several hundred members of the Boston Credit Men's Association by J. H. Tregoe of New York, a speaker at their February meeting and dinner at Young's Hotel. Mr. Tregoe, who is executive manager of the National Association of Credit Men, asserted there is a tendency among some business men in this section to talk in pessimistic vein of the present state of New England's industry, taking for granted her inevitable capitulation to other sections, especially to the South in the matter of textile manufacturing and to the middle West in shoe production.

A warning that rent strikes and possibly public disorder will result if the present emergency housing laws are allowed to lapse was uttered before the joint legislative committee on the judiciary by Eugene C. Hultman, chairman of the Massachusetts commission on the necessities of life. The present law will lapse May 1. Unless the rent laws are renewed, there will be an insistent demand for legislation that would seriously interfere with the reasonable rights of property, Mr. Hultman predicted. He declared that economic conditions are more uncertain now than at any time in the last four years.

According to a bulletin issued by the Gloucester, Mass., Chamber of Commerce, 65,149,865 pounds of all kinds of fish were landed at that port, last year as against 58,779,137 pounds in 1922 and 59,297,888 pounds in 1921. Of this amount 9,642,977 pounds of groundfish and 5,382 barrels of mackerel are set down as "not the products of the American fisheries." This does not take into account the amount of fish caught by Gloucester vessels and landed at other ports; including groundfish, mackerel and halibut marketed all the way from Hampton Roads to Portland, but mainly at Boston.

"The farmers of Maine," said Governor Ralph O. Brewster in an address at the annual conference of State Grange lecturers, "are virtually concerned with a better market for the things they sell and a cheaper market for the things they need, and the supply of essential governmental activities at a minimum of expense, or in other words a lowering of taxes. 'Maine produce for Maine people will increase the possible price to the farmer by the unnecessary freights that it will save, and will offer him a market free from certain risks involved in transportation and commerce with merchandising agents at long range.'

The Rev. M. J. Ahern, S. J., instructor in chemistry at Holy Cross College, and a member of the Rotary Club of Worcester, told the members of the Boston Rotary Club "What a Scientist Theologian Thinks of Evolution." In the few brief minutes he had to talk, he gave the gist of a series of twenty lectures he gives before college classes, the talk embodying a synopsis of a book he plans to write on the subject. "Biological evolution is my main topic and I wish to state that I have never been repelled by my ecclesiastical superiors for my belief. By this I hope to emphasize that an orthodox Christian—in this case a priest of the Roman Catholic church—can believe the entire teachings of Christianity and still believe in evolution."

Extremely short radio waves in the vicinity of 21 meters may become almost as efficient in daylight as the longer amateur waves are in darkness, according to John L. Reinartz of South Manchester, Ct., inventor, who reported to the American Radio Relay League at Hartford that he had exchanged messages with E. Newkirk Willis of Santa Monica, Calif., in daylight on a wave length of 21 meters. This is said to be the first time amateur signals have been exchanged across the continent in daylight.

An unidentified man risked his life to save a mongrel dog from the Connecticut river while a throng of motorists looked on. The episode was staged at Rockrimmon hill, Springfield, Mass. When the dog was swimming in open water 50 feet from shore the man, using an automobile tire as a life preserver, crept out on the spongy ice until he reached the open water. Grasping the dog by the neck, he shouted to the onlookers to pull on the rope attached to the tire and dog and resuer were brought safely to shore.

## BOSTON MARKET REVIEW

Prepared by the Boston Office of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture

For Week Ending February 14, 1925

**FRUITS AND VEGETABLES:** Supplies of most commodities were liberal during the week, and prices generally declined. With cooler weather Friday, the bottom of the market was apparently reached, as prices for that day were about steady. Apples were in good demand, unmarketed prices for Maine and N. H. barrelled stock. Baldwins closed at 6.50 per bbl. Maine Green Mts. potatoes were slightly lower, at 1.45-1.50 per 100 lb. sack. Onions showed but little change, best onions closed at 8.00-8.25, with ordinary stock at 7.75. Demand was slow, and the market dull. A few cars of fancy stock were sold at Conn. Valley points, for 2.00-2.50, but trading was slow at this price. Cabbage was considerably marketed, onions 1.50-1.75 per 100 lb. sack and 1.75 per bbl. for N. Y. Danish New cabbage was in liberal supply and demand limited. Florida 1 1/2 bushel hamper closed at 1.00-1.50 and barrels at 2.00-2.50. Texas barrels of fresh strawberries were weak, at 2.00-2.50, and crates at 2.00. At present the trade seems to prefer old stock to new. Iceberg lettuce declined considerably, with a wide range in price. Imperial Valley 4 dz. crates closed at 2.00-4.00, with special marks 4.00-4.50. Spinach weakend to 1.00 for best Texas bushel baskets of Savoy, with poorer stock low as 60c. Lettuce supply Friday, Feb. 22, at 2.50-3.00, special marks 3.00-3.25. Supplies were heavy, with a slow demand at the end of the week. Spinach was steady at 1.50-2.00, special marks 2.00-2.50, depending on condition. Fla. 32 qt. crates of strawberries closed at 15-16c per qt., depending on condition; Fla. crates of peppers at 5.00-5.50, fancy, with a few choice 5.50-6.00. Eggplant was steady at 3.50-4.00, few best 4.50 for fancy crates, and mostly 3.50 for choice.

**DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS:** Two cases of cheese prices were brought in on an average, the market ruled firm throughout the week. Receipts of fresh butter cleaned up in good shape in most quarters and storage butter showed a satisfactory movement in spite of the fact that butter was purchased largely against their immediate requirements only. At the close prices were a trifle higher on some scores, 92 score 40 1/4c, 90-91 score 39 3/4c, 88-89 score 38 3/4c, 86-87 score 36 3/4c, 37 1/2c.

**Eggs:** The consuming demand during the week was daily increasing to a clean up daily arrivals of fresh eggs. Although at this time of year market is sensitive, on the whole dealers held their offerings fairly firm. Available stocks of refrigerator eggs moved out mostly in a steady way but were not much affected by the market. At the close prices were: Western Extras 50c, extra flats 49-49 1/4c, firsts 48-48 1/2c, seconds 47 1/2c; nearby extras 51c, all brown 52c and up. **Dressed Poultry:** Receipts of fresh, dressed poultry again show an accumulation. The tone of the market ruled easy and unsettled and dealers were free sellers at a cent concessions under last week's prices. Fowl 5 pound 31c, 1-4 lb. 29-31c, 3-3 1/2 lb. 25-26c, broilers large 37-39c, small 24-25c, chickens large 33-36c, small 28-30c.

A romance more than a half century old, thought to have perished years ago, has been revived in the recent marriage of Uncle Ambrose Hamilton,

# The BLUE CIRCLE

BY Elizabeth Jordan

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**"ODD NOISES?"**

**SYNOPSIS.** — Incapacitated, mentally, by shock, as a result of experiences during the World war, Renshaw makes a proposition to David Campbell, wealthy, elderly man of leisure; that for a year he assume responsibility for him (Renshaw)—practically "buy" him. Doctor Stanley, life-long friend of Campbell's, endorses the proposition, which Campbell, with some natural misgivings, accepts. The arrangement is that the young man becomes an inmate of the Campbell household, with the nominal duty of secretarial work for Mrs. Campbell's granddaughter, Verity, and gets the impression that she does not like him. Jenks, the butler, Renshaw also feels, is distinctly hostile. Nevertheless, Renshaw went down to dinner feeling quite normal, for him.

**CHAPTER II—Continued**

Another reflection followed the first, and was far less agreeable. He wondered if Campbell had told his granddaughter the peculiar relation in which he, Renshaw, had entered the family. That he should give this detail a thought, was surprising. That he should have the moment's concern that now followed it was nothing short of amazing. He was actually hoping that the girl did not know, that old Campbell had not told her!

The reflection, though vivid in its little instant of life, perished almost as soon as it was born. What difference did it make what the girl or any one else knew or thought? He turned off the lights, opened his door and strode out into the hall.

Again, as in the corridor downstairs, he caught around a corner the flutter of a disappearing bit of white stuff—a natural enough phenomenon in any house, he reflected, and interesting only because of the impression of flight it conveyed. His attention to the incident was fleeting. Evidently Campbell's servants were a curious lot, and the arrival of a stranger in this isolated house was to them an event out of all proportion to its importance.

He entered the living room at exactly one minute before eight, and as he opened the door felt behind him the figure of Jenks, coming to announce dinner. Campbell and his granddaughter were already in the room, the latter before a grand piano, which Renshaw, in his abstraction, had not observed during his first visit. The girl had been playing or singing, he assumed, though he had heard no music. Now, seated sideways on the piano-stool, she was absently turning the sheets on the music rack and lending an ear to the monologue of an old lady who sat with Campbell before the fireplace. Her resemblance to him placed her as the old man's sister, but she had entered the world ten or twelve years later. Like Verity, she was in full evening dress. She wore a superb diamond-and-pearl collar; and half a dozen diamond, sapphire and emerald rings relentlessly called attention to the enlarged joints of her fingers. Her white hair was as elaborately waved and puffed as if she were going to a ball. As Renshaw went toward her he heard the conclusion of her monologue, delivered on a high-pitched, plaintive key and without the slightest pause:

"Of course you will belittle the matter Davy as you always do but I've told you before and I tell you again that your habit of leaving so many details to the servants will eventually drive us out of house and home as to the way they act some of them didn't get in till after twelve last night though where they could have been is more than I know unless James drove them to town in the service car which Verity has expressly forbidden him to do without permission but they never pay any attention to what one orders anyway so what is the use of giving them orders—"

Old David Campbell raised a thin hand.

"One moment, Kitty," he said good-humoredly. "Let me present my new secretary, Mr. Renshaw. Renshaw, this lady is my sister, Mrs. Pardee, and she's got more troubles than any one you ever met before. She'll tell them all to you, too; you may be sure of that."

He chuckled over his own joke, while Renshaw bowed over the wrinkled hand that lay in his own.

The voice of Jenks placidly repeated the announcement of dinner, and David Campbell offered his arm to his sister. Renshaw hesitated. Was he expected formally to escort Miss Campbell? Or would she resent such an assumption on his part? She was as proud as the devil, that girl—every one of her and every glance of her eyes proved that. Also, she was really amazingly lovely. Feeling very unsure of himself, he approached her and formally offered his arm, on which she remotely laid a perfect hand. Together

they walked the length of the long room and, crossing the hall, entered the dining room on its opposite side.

Like the living room, it was large and beautiful. There was spaciousness in all the rooms of the old house, and a beauty of furnishing for which the somewhat confused architecture of the exterior had not prepared one. Four high-backed and carved Florentine chairs waited for their occupants at the round table, whose tall orange candles, alighted by the firelight, gave the big room its sole illumination.

Renshaw began to feel very much as if he were in a dream. In the mood in which he had approached Campbell that afternoon he would have agreed to clean out furnaces and work around the grounds. As it was, he stood committed to any task he was offered, however menial. Yet here he was an intimate part of a charming group, seated at the right of old Mrs. Pardee, and with the beauty of Yancy Campbell opposite him on which to feed his eyes. He acknowledged the beauty, but let his eyes drift past it. It was there, but it had no message for him.

Once, looking across the table, he suddenly met Verity's eyes and for an instant held them. There was a momentary dancing light in them—like a flicker of sunshine on the surface of a dark pool. Also, the corners of her mouth quivered in a half smile, which passed even as it came. Mercifully he was spared overhearing the comment Verity made to her grandfather a little later under cover of the continued babble of Mrs. Pardee.

"I think your bondman is going to cheer us up," she murmured.

"Cheer us! That young man's going to grieve!" The old man shook his head. "I'm afraid he's going to get horribly on our nerves."

He experienced anew the sensation that this acquisition of his had already too frequently supplied, though their



Together They Walked the Length of the Long Room.

association was so brief—an emotion of mingled admiration and resentment, unusual and unsettling. To banish it, he turned to Verity.

"Is Madame Hvoeslef having one of her sick headaches?"

"Yes, poor dear."

Renshaw pricked up his ears. There was still another member of the family, then, or a guest. Whoever she was, Miss Campbell liked her. The modulations of the girl's voice on the three words she had spoken made that quite clear.

When dinner was over, Campbell led the way back to the living room, with some lingering hint of resentment in the stiff lines of his shoulders, and almost curtly commanded Verity to the piano near the piano, and though he was aware of the finisdom of his course, let himself sink into the black abyss that always awaited his unguarded moments.

After all, had he done right to come here? Hadn't he, instead, added the capstone to the towering structure of his misery? For he had offered himself, and now it was too late to retreat. He was bought, and committed to God alone knew what enterprise—for both Stanley and Campbell had hinted, and which, of course, had to do with the warning just received from Jenks.

past him; and now, as he began to listen, it seemed to lift him and bear him on it to another world, a world of love and passion and beauty. The girl was singing—and the girl's singing was unlike any he had heard before. What she was singing was a Russian folksong, whose accompaniment was like swiftly flowing water.

When she had finished, David Campbell was asleep; but the plaintive voice of Mrs. Pardee broke the momentary stillness:

"I do wish Verity that you'd learn some cheerful songs such as other girls sing gay and bright you know from the musical comedies there must be cheerful music in the world though we never hear any—"

Renshaw rose abruptly and went to the piano.

"Thank you very much," he said. "And—good-night."

For an instant her deep eyes met his, their expression as remote as his.

"Good-night, Mr. Renshaw," she said casually.

Renshaw crossed back to the little old lady by the fire.

"I'm slipping off to my room," he explained. "If Mr. Campbell should want me—"

"He won't he'll sleep till ten and then James will come in and take him to bed how he can sleep so much at his age I don't know I myself don't average five hours a night last night I lay awake from twelve to five that's how I happened to hear those servants come in—"

In some way Renshaw stemmed the verbal tide and made his escape. As he approached the door of his room, it opened and two persons came out—Jenks and a woman. The woman was immaculate in a white gown, white cap, and white apron, but she was not the trim housewife of one's dreams. She was past middle age and inclined to stoutness, and the expression of her plain face was rather sour.

"This is Annie, sir, the chambermaid. We've been airing your room and putting in fresh linen—"

Jenks spoke so quickly that Renshaw, who in his abstraction would have passed the pair almost without noticing them, looked at them with closer attention. It then occurred to him that the enterprise of changing the linen in his room hardly called for the efforts of two servants, but he did not dwell on the thought. Also, Annie was contributing her modest share to the verbal report.

"You will always find extra towels on the shelf of this closet, sir," she said primly. "Leave the extra supply for the floor there, because there's no place in the bathroom but the one rack."

"And—and excuse me, sir, but there's another thing."

Jenks was speaking again, and Annie, with fitting humility in the presence of her superior, moved a little to one side.

"Might I speak frankly, sir?" Jenks was almost humble.

"Of course." Renshaw waited with his detached air. The man wet his lips.

"There's—there's some queer things going on in the old house, sir. If you hear odd noises during the night, it's best to pay no attention to them."

Renshaw frowned. "Odd noises?" he repeated. "What kind of noises?"

"That's all I can say, sir. And I'm exceeding my duty, sir, in saying that much. But it's well meant."

Renshaw nodded, his half-formed interest relaxing under a memory of certain sentences in his interview with Campbell to which he had attached no great importance at the time.

"All right, Jenks. Thank you," he said, and passed on. As he closed his door he glanced back. Both Jenks and Annie were standing where he had left them, staring after him. Caught in the act, they started down the corridor and parted at its end. Jenks descending the staircase, the woman disappearing around a distant corner. The flutter of her skirt as she went stirred Renshaw's memory. Surely three before today he had seen the final whisk of that skirt.

He entered his room, still slightly frowning. Everything was in order. It was all reassuringly natural, and yet—what the deuce was there about Jenks' manner that got on one's imagination and made one exaggerate the importance of the simplest trifles?

He undressed slowly, but instead of going to bed he slipped on his dressing gown and, after turning off the lights, sat down in the chair before the fire. There, clasping his hands behind his head, he leaned back and grimaced at himself. The simple truth was that he did not quite dare to go to bed. Under the surface atmosphere of comfort and normalcy that lay over the room, something had been injected, something intangible. Of course his imagination was playing tricks with him.

At the back of his head was the thought of a mystery at which both Stanley and Campbell had hinted, and which, of course, had to do with the warning just received from Jenks.

Renshaw sees Verity is a beauty, but woman's beauty has no message for him. Will that last?

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

**Daylight Frightened Mule**

Flooded workings in a Mahanay City (Pa.) coal mine gave a mule called Jack his first opportunity to view sunshine that he has had in 15 years. At first he refused to budge from the conveyor that carried him from his dungeon, and it required force to get him to his new lodging place, where he was afraid to venture forth for several days.

He pulled himself up in a sudden ascent to the present. Something was happening to him—something as wonderful as that hour of sleep had been. A stream of music had been flowing

## Famous Forts in U. S. History

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

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### Where the Power of the Sioux Was Broken.

In 1874 there was established near the Red Cloud agency in the northwestern corner of Nebraska a military post which is historically important because around it centered the events which broke forever the power of the Sioux and their allies, the Northern Cheyenne. Fort Robinson was its name and its presence in the midst of the Oglala Sioux kept thousands of them from joining the hostiles at the opening of the Sioux war of 1876-77.

Near it in October, 1876, General Crook further clipped their wings by surrounding the camp of old Chief Red Cloud and disarming and dismounting his warriors. From it the next month Col. Ronald S. Mackenzie led the expedition which defeated Chief Dull Knife and his Cheyennes, destroyed their village on the Crazy Woman's fork of the Powder river and scored the first real success in the campaign. There, too, Crazy Horse, the young war chief of the Oglalas, fell mortally wounded when he resisted an attempt to imprison him.

Perhaps the most dramatic incident connected with the history of Fort Robinson was the outbreak of the Cheyennes in 1879. Dull Knife's Cheyennes had been sent to Oklahoma, but they hated their new home and jumped the reservation. After successfully eluding pursuit for several hundred miles, they were finally captured and taken to Fort Robinson. When told they must return to Oklahoma, they again attempted to break away. Many of them were shot down as they tried to escape from the fort, the remainder were recaptured and again they were returned to the hated Southland. So Fort Robinson marked the end of the Cheyennes as a warrior people. Just as it did the Sioux.

The usefulness of Fort Robinson was

over when the Indians were removed.

Across the street was an excavation for a new building. He hurried thither. Standing on the edge of the digging he unbuckled the straps which bound the squares of planking to him, and, kicking them to pieces with a glad exultant cry, he flung the shattered emblems of his servitude down into the hole below. Then straightway he departed for the nearest saloon, and stalking in, a triumphant figure even in his flaunting tatters, he slapped his golden gold piece down upon the bar and called for a drink of whisky. It was to have been the first of a long and glorious succession of drinks of whisky.

Someone jostled him in the side. He turned his head to see who might be interrupting his happy dreams, and when he looked back again his double eagle mysteriously had vanished, and the bartender was motioning him to depart.

He protested, naturally. Whereupon

the bartender reached for the bung

stopper, swung it with a skill born of long practice, and struck him squarely between the eyes. A moment later the ex-sandwich man found himself sprawling on the sidewalk, his happy visions gone forever.

A prey to melancholy, filled with deep

sadness and a yet deeper sense of injustice, he got upon his feet and started to limp away.

Next door to the saloon was a basement barber shop. From it at this instant there emerged a Bowery mission worker, an elderly gentleman of a benevolent aspect, his pink jowls newly scraped and his face powdered. As he climbed up the steps to the level of the sidewalk this gentleman hobbled over to refasten a loosened shoelace.

Now, to the best of his knowledge

and belief, the derelict never before had seen the missionary, but as the latter stooped, presenting before him an expunge of black coat tails, the misanthrope hauled off and dealt the gentle stranger a terrific kick.

With a yell of astonishment and pain the clergyman landed ten feet away.

"What did you mean by that?" he demanded, rubbing the seat of his trousers with both hands. "Why did you kick me?"

"Oh," said the ex-sandwich man, in tones of an uncontrollable annoyance, "you're always tying your shoestrings!"

### Romantic Belle Point and Prosaic Smith

It was one of the early French explorers of Arkansas who gave to this lovely spot on the Arkansas river the romantic name of Belle Point and there many years later was built a fort to which was attached the very prosaic name of Smith. The site for the post was chosen by Maj. Stephen Long, the explorer, in November, 1817, and when the first little stockade was erected later it was named for Brig. Gen. Thomas A. Smith of Virginia, a veteran of the War of 1812.

The first commandant at Fort Smith was Maj. William Bradford of Company A of the Rifle regiment, composed of men who had fought with "Old Hickory" Jackson at the battle of New Orleans. Bradford was succeeded in 1822 by Col. Matthew Arbuckle, founder of Fort Gibson, Okla. In 1838 the government decided to erect substantial fortifications at the place and plans for it were drawn by Vauban, the famous French fortification expert. Temporary quarters were erected by Capt. W. G. Belknap which were occupied by the troops until four years later when the new buildings were completed.

The commandant from 1841 to 1845 was Col. Zachary Taylor and Fort Smith is one of the several forts which claim to be the site of the elopement of his daughter, Sarah Knox Taylor, with Lieut. Jefferson Davis, although history has not yet decided just what were the facts connected with that romantic affair.

As the importance of Fort Smith increased the government selected the site for a new fort and purchased 300 acres for the reservation. Within this new fort several two-story buildings were erected but subsequently all except one were destroyed by fire. This one has particular interest because it was used as a United States district court and its basement as a jail for prisoners. Here the famous Judge L. C. Parker, in the turbulent days of Indian territory in the '70's and '80's sentenced hundreds of squaw men and territorial outlaws to death until the name of Fort Smith and Judge Parker became synonymous for probably the speediest and most summary justice ever meted out in the history of this country.

Almost from the beginning of Fort Smith a settlement was growing up within the shadows of its walls and the town of Fort Smith was incorporated away back in 1842. The government reservation and fort were given to the city of Fort Smith in 1884 and are now a public park.

"Uncle," inquired the New Yorker, "why in the name of goodness did they build this depot so far from the town?"

The old man scratched his head.

"I don't know, boss," he said, "on 'em it wuz because dey wanted to git closer to de railroad!"

## MY FAVORITE STORIES

By IRVIN S. COBB

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### Driven Beyond His Strength

The late Paul Armstrong had two favorite stories. One of these he called by the title "Pansy and the Pilseiner," and while it was funny, it would never do for publication in a newspaper having a family circulation. The other was what is known as a parlor story. It dealt with a down-and-outer, who made a precarious living as a sandwich man. Encased front and back, like a turtle in its shell, between broad boards which bore advertisements for a dairy lunch, he marched the Bowery all day long for wages barely sufficient to keep body and soul together.

One day, as he plodded his weary route, he saw a shining coin lying upon the sidewalk.

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## NORTHFIELD.

George Sheldon is employed at Mt. Hermon on the new laundry.

Mrs. C. R. Nelson writes from Orlando, Fla., in a homesick tone.

F. L. Plaistridge has returned from a business trip to New York.

St. Patrick's parish is raising money to paint their church in the spring.

Mrs. H. A. Hoxie and daughter Margaret spent the week end in Colrain.

Fred Hale is out again after being confined to the house several weeks by illness.

Miss Jeanne Monat went on Sunday to Gardner for a two weeks visit with friends.

Mrs. F. W. Harness and Mrs. J. C. Newton will spend the week end in Springfield, Vt.

John Hurley of Brooklyn, N. Y., is at the home of his aunt Miss Kiley, on Glen street.

Mrs. C. E. Bittinger and daughter Marion left on Friday for their new home in Athol.

W. H. Stebbins attended the funeral of his cousin, Frank Stebbins in Brattleboro on Monday.

Thomas H. Parker attended a meeting of Fire Wardens held at K. of C. hall, Greenfield on Tuesday.

Mrs. M. B. Darby of Hartford, Conn., has been the guest of her son, Theodore Darby and family.

F. L. Tyler has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be out of doors a short time each day.

Miss Margaret Dale who has been spending her vacation with her sister has returned to her work.

Isobel Reed of Greenfield will spend the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Abbott have been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Abbott in Athol.

Maurice Monnette a student at the Bay Path Institute, Brattleboro, was a weekend guest of Leon Dunnell.

Mrs. A. R. Lyman has returned from Concord, N. H., where she was the guest of her sister and niece for a week.

Miss Josephine Quinlan returns tomorrow from a three weeks visit with relatives in New York City and Newark, N. J.

Miss Marion Webster who has been the guest of her sister, Miss Bernice, in New York City, has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Darby attended the funeral of Mr. Darby's uncle, Ernest Motchman on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Foreman of Portsmouth, Va. write that they plan to attend the inauguration of President Coolidge.

Miss Esther Morgan of North Adams Normal school is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Morgan for a two weeks vacation.

A regular meeting of the Northfield Grange will be held in Grange hall on Tuesday evening, February 24. An advertisement contest will follow the business meeting.

Among those attending the Ski Jump at Brattleboro on Wednesday were Miss Marion Eckert, Miss Anna Dale, Alfred Holton, F. B. Estabrook, Lawrence Quinlan and Edward Morgan.

Miss Katherine Baker of Beverly is the guest of Mr. Webster and Miss Webster. She returned with Miss Webster the first of the week from a visit in New York with Miss Bernice Webster.

Francis Markle, who has been living at Dr. Wood's and attending school here, has gone to the home of Mrs. Wood's brother, W. J. Weatherhead, in Vernon during the absence of Dr. and Mrs. Wood.

Squakhegs troupe of Girl Scouts is backed by a committee of three. The members are Mildred Peifer, chairman; Dr. R. H. Philbrick, vice-chairman; Mary G. Parker, secretary. The troupe is registered with Mary E. Dalton as captain. On Monday, February 23 the girls plan to take an all day hike.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincerest thanks and appreciation to all our friends for the kindness shown us during our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Frank Stebbins

Roy Stebbins

Robert Stebbins

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stebbins

Mrs. Ella Nash

## Engagement Announced.

Mrs. Mary B. Peck of 131 McKinley Avenue, New Haven, announces the engagement of her daughter, Marjorie Street to Arthur Henry Witte of Forest Hills, New Jersey.

Arthur Witte is the oldest son of our Townsman George R. Witte. He spent part of his youth at schools in Germany and France, came back to Northfield in 1905, attended a term at Mount Hermon to recover his native idiom and then entered Dartmouth. He has been connected for the past eight years with the Merritt, Chapman and Scott Corporation of New York City.

**HIGH SCHOOL NOTES**Elsie Holton, Editor  
Melvin Glazier, News Editor  
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"What are you doing?" It was Ted Dale speaking to his friend John Scott, who was busily engaged with a wrench under a queer looking object as he had ever seen.

"Just finishing Kate Speedy-way. How do you like her looks?" replied John, crawling from under the queer looking machine.

"What is it, an aeroplane? What has it got runners for?" inquired Ted.

"No it's not an aeroplane, it's an aerosed. I have been working on it while you were sick."

"Oh, I see. When will she be ready to use?"

"Tomorrow afternoon; so get busy and save your wind, you may need it," laughed John.

They went to work with much greater vim than they usually put on their studies, believe me, and by the time they went to bed they were good and tired. They had tried out the engine and it had worked to perfection and they had only to secure the propeller in place and that would not take long.

The next afternoon they came home from school very quickly. A few minutes after the work shop was a scene of great activity. The propeller was taken from the bench where it had been varnished. The aerosed was pushed out of doors. Then the propeller was secured to the shaft.

John stood back to look at his handiwork. The craft was about twenty feet long, over all. The body was about six feet high. When perpendicular the top of the propeller was nearly nine feet above the ground. The body was just wide enough to seat two persons comfortably to a seat. The runners were spaced far apart so when rounding corners at high speed the craft would not have a tendency to tip. For steering a small runner and a regular airplane rudder were used.

"Well let's try her out," said John at last and he leaped into the cockpit, Ted following close behind. John began moving levers and pushing buttons. Almost instantly the engine was purring like a contented cat. After making sure that everything was OK he put off the brake.

Having put the hose away John closed the top and they went into the house. Both boys were very hungry.

The propeller was geared to the engine and with a transmission and clutch different speeds could be obtained, so now John shifted. He did not want to start out very fast; as he had never driven anything like it before and he did not know just how it would work he shifted to low.

He spoke to Ted, then slowly let in the clutch. The propeller began to revolve, slowly at first then faster and faster. Now he put his foot on the accelerator. Slowly "Kate" began to move, very slowly at first, then faster and faster. When on the open road John began to speed the engine and they began to travel quite fast.

As they were going down the street they saw some of their school mates walking home. "Suppose we give them a ride, we have plenty of room," suggested Ted.

"All right," responded John, and with that slowed down the engine. Kate came to a jarless stop under John's careful hands.

"Want a ride?" asked John.

"Will you really let us? I'd love to."

"responded one of the girls, who by the way, John rather admired.

"All right, pile in, I guess we can give you all a seat, as there are only three of you. Ted here can stand up, that is if he doesn't get blown off. I will take you all home if you want," said our inventor.

It did not take long for them all to get in, believe me. When everybody was seated, John shifted, then slowly stepped on the accelerator and with a steadily purring engine the aerosed began to move, slowly at first but gaining speed very rapidly. John shifted to second. He did not try to go too fast but as it was took them only a few minutes to get to the girls' homes.

Before saying good-bye he asked Laura, his favorite, if she could go for a ride in the evening. She replied that she could, so John turned Kate around and headed for home.

"I wonder how fast she could go if she were in high," he thought. "I guess I won't try to find out this afternoon, though," he continued.

On reaching home John said,

"I guess I will put on the light so we can see this evening. But first I think I will get something to eat. I am hungry." So saying he disappeared into the house, soon reappearing with a handful of cookies, of which he gave Ted a generous half.

"Come in and help me with the light if you will, please; because it is rather heavy," said John, after finishing his share of the cookies.

"All right, I'll Come," answered Ted.

They went into the work shop and soon reappeared carrying what looked like a large-sized automobile

headlight. They carefully set it in place, then bolted it. The wiring was quickly finished and the light tried. It worked to perfection.

Upon opening the engine hood to see what the engine looked like, Ted espied a large, round case, something like a watch case, except it was about two and a half feet across. At first Ted thought it was for the fly-wheel, but no, it couldn't be, for there was the fly-wheel out at one side. At last his curiosity got the best of him when he noticed two large pipes connected to it, so he said to John, "What is that for?"

"Well you see I am a little afraid of fire. No, not exactly afraid but I want to be prepared, so I said to myself, 'Why not put a pump on your aerosed?' The engine could run one very easily and it might come in handy sometime. So I got busy and rigged up that and put it on. I don't know whether it will work or not, but I am going to try it out in a day or so," replied John.

Having finished fixing the light and noticing that he was hungry, John looked at his watch. "Say it is almost supper time. Do you think you can stay over to supper? I want you to go with me when I try her out this evening."

"I thought you were going to take Laura. You surely won't want me along will you?" returned Ted, giving John a look that made that personage blush.

"I tell you what, you call up Helen and ask her if she can go. The more the merrier," responded John, still blushing.

"You bet I will stay, and I'll go right in and call her up."

"All right but don't be in a hurry. I want you to help me a few minutes. I want to put this fire hose into its place. You see I had to have a place to put all the hose and equipment into so I built a case in the back. The weight holds down the tall." So saying the two set to work. Each of the six coils went into its own special place. They were so arranged as to permit the quickest removal possible.

Having put the hose away John closed the top and they went into the house. Both boys were very hungry.

Now in a certain house in that town a very hot fire was roaring in the stove. The stove pipe was red hot in some spots. No one was near; they were in another part of the house eating supper, or surely some one of the family would have noticed a small curl of smoke around the wood-work back of the stove. Slowly but surely the smoke kept getting thicker and thicker. A faint glow could be seen. The spark kept growing in size. Then it changed to a tiny flame, which rapidly grew larger and larger. There were some papers scattered about the floor, and soon these too were blazing merrily.

As a neighbor passed the house he noticed how unusually bright the room looked and then he saw the flame. Now, believe me, he didn't need any pins to help him along, for in less time than it takes to tell it, he was pounding on the door, shouting that the house was afire.

Well it took those people at the supper table about one half of a second to get to the door and they were all shouting, "Where is it?"

In the kitchen; some one call help; the rest grab pails and come. Be quick!" he snapped out his orders, then grabbed a fire extinguisher that was standing near and hurried off.

The eldest girl ran to the phone and rang frantically for Central. It seemed ages before she heard the welcome "Number please."

She gasped, "Our house is afire, send help! This is Laura Wood speaking. Please! Please be quick!" She said no more. That was enough. Now she rushed up the stairs to get her baby brother who was asleep just above the kitchen.

In the meanwhile John and Ted had finished supper and were getting their coats, hats and mittens on. Ted had phoned "Helen" and she was on the way.

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"You needn't worry. The tank holds enough for a several day run," assured John.

"Well lets go th- -" He paused and listened; then he continued, "It's a fire some where."

"You beat it in and find out where it is and I will get 'Kate' warmed up." So saying John stepped on the starter and the engine began to purr.

(Continued next week)

## THE HIGHLANDS.

Cards from Rev. and Mrs. H. Dudley Peck of Guatemala City, Central America announce the arrival of a daughter, Elinor Ford Peck, on January 10. Rev and Mrs. Peck, it will be remembered, were married in Rusell Sage Chapel about two years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ray of Providence, R. I., who have a summer home, "Briarcliff", in the Highlands are on a trip to California.

## VERNON, V.T.

Kenneth Hall of Brattleboro was a guest at the Baker home last week.

L. T. Fairman attended the funeral of Mr. Motchman in West Northfield Sunday.

There will be a regular meeting of Vernon Grange on Saturday evening, February 21.

Emory Petteplace, who has been in the Melrose hospital for two weeks, has returned home.

Mrs. George Johnson of West Brattleboro spent a few days with her son, J. A. Johnson, last week.

Maynard Miller of Mt. Hermon was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Miller, on Sunday.

Mrs. W. N. Hale is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Cook and family in Springfield, Mass., this week.

Miss Delphine Farr, teacher in the North school, was called to her home in Burlington by the sudden death of her brother on Monday.

A sugar supper and entertainment will be given on Friday evening in Union church vestry at 7:30, for the benefit of Centre school. A good attendance is hoped for.

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## EAST NORTHFIELD

Mrs. A. G. Moody spent the first of the week in Boston.

Miss Muriel Kendrick is visiting relatives in Wellesley.

Mrs. Grace Davis went by auto to New York on Tuesday.

E. B. Rich of Boston, manager of the hotel Vendome, is a guest at the Northfield.

Russell Durgin and family left on Friday for Lowell to visit his parents for a few days.

Miss Evelyn Hess is back at The Northfield this week after two months vacation in California.

F. B. Estabrook has come from Pennsylvania to see about selling his machinery. He is staying at Mrs. R. E. Long's.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fitt entertained on Wednesday evening all those who took part in the entertainment at the church on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fitt entertained on Friday evening with their uncle, Fleming H. Revell as guest of honor.

Among those who have been ill for some time with various forms of grip are Roselle Evans, Mrs. A. S. Merrill, Miss Maud Hamilton and Clifford Field.

The members of Mrs. A. G. Moody's Sunday school class of women will entertain the men's class of Dr. C. E. Dickerson for their annual supper next Tuesday evening, February 26, at 6:30 p.m. at the vestry.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Durgin arrived with their three children last Friday night at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Lazelle. Mr. Durgin left Sunday and returned on Tuesday from a visit to his parents in Lowell.

Henry Smith, son of Mrs. N. Fay Smith, has been chosen one of two seniors of Pennington Seminary, New Jersey, to receive membership in the Gateway Society. This is one of three highest honors conferred by the school and is of high character.

Fleming H. Revell of New York City came last week and is the guest of his niece, Mrs. A. P. Fitt. Mr. Revell has been closely associated with the Northfield work for many years, having spent many summers here in the past. He attended Founder's Day exercises and is participating in other events of the seminary and the town.

The Mt Hermon Student Volunteer band will meet with the Young People's Christian Endeavor society on Sunday evening at 7:15 at the church parlor for a young people's rally. Mr. Hoyt, a senior of Mt. Hermon and president of the Volunteer band will be one of the speakers. Miss Bessie Spencer is president of the Endeavours.

Those who attended the funeral on Monday of Frank Stebbins in Brattleboro and were the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stebbins here are: Mrs. Ella Nash of Springfield, his sister; Mr. and Mrs. George Stebbins of Wallston; Myron Stebbins of Boston; Mrs. Frank Warner of Marlboro; Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Albany, N. Y., all cousins of the deceased. Also Mrs. William Dunham of Hartford, Conn.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Stuart Holden of London are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moody. They have recently returned from Florida where they participated in the conference directed by Dr. Len Broughton at Jacksonville. Dr. Holden will preach at Russell Sage Chapel on Sunday at 4:45 for vesper service. He also speaks at Mt. Hermon at both morning and evening services. Dr. Holden is rector of St. Paul's church of Portland Square, London.

## NORTHFIELD FARMS.

Otis Fisher has received a carload of hay.

The Farms Library has thirty new books.

Lester Darling is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Darling.

Mrs. Frank Montague spent last Wednesday with Mrs. Robert McNeil.

Miss Parker spent the week end at her home in Westmoreland, N. H.

Tommie Russell is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Guy Miner, in Vernon, Vt.

Joe Ross spent Saturday with his parents, Daniel Ross is gaining slowly.

W. D. Luey and son Rupert of Worcester called Sunday on C. C. Morgan.

James Russell, brother of Tom Russell, returned on Tuesday to his home in Dalton.

James Dresser and family recently visited his brother, Lee Dresser and family in Erving.

Mr. Russell, who has been critically ill, is very much improved and it is hoped will recover soon.

Fred Blanchard attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. M. S. Hamilton, in Shelburne Falls Wednesday.

Jimmie and Tommie Russell, who have been guests of Mrs. Homer Browning during Mr. Russell's illness, were able to go home Tuesday.

Mrs. Robert McNeil and Mrs. Charles Leach entertained the Ladies Society at the home of Mrs. McNeil on February 11. The usual work was done and lunch was served.

The Dress rehearsal of the play, "The Farmerette," was given by the Junior Try Club was give Saturday night at No. 3 School House. It was open to those interested in that district and was enjoyed by all those present. It is hoped they will have a good attendance at the Farms presentation.

## Glee Club Concert.

On Saturday evening of next week, February 23, the Glee Club of Deerfield Academy will give a benefit concert in the Auditorium in behalf of the Virginie Fresh Air Camp.

There are twenty-four boys in the circle. Northfield is favored in getting them for the only free Saturday evening on their schedule.

They will be assisted by Mount Hermon's star reader, Allen C. Anderson.

The concert will begin at 7:30. Admission, 25 cents.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

Union Church Vernon Vt.  
Rev. Eliot E. Jones, B. D., Pastor  
Morning worship at 10:45. Sunday school at noon. Christian Endeavor at 7 followed by evening service at 7:30.

Choir rehearsal Wednesday evening at 7:30.

## WEST NORTHFIELD AND SOUTH VERNON.

Leon Randall is on the sick list. Mrs. E. P. Edison is sick with grip. Mrs. Lester Hill spent the week end in Springfield.

Mrs. Guy Miner is with her sister, Mrs. Thomas Russell.

W. C. Tyler has commenced sawing logs at his mill.

Mrs. Fred Adams has been on the sick list for the past week.

The mission society met Wednesday with Mrs. Frank Darling.

Mrs. Charles Aldrich fell on the ice recently spraining her wrist badly.

Harold Havercroft is home from Westfield Sanitarium for a few days.

Richard Steinbroker spent last week in Malden and Boston on business.

Mrs. Roy Flanders spent Wednesday with Mrs. Sidney Stearns in Hinsdale.

The Every Other Thursday Club met with Mrs. Edward Gerrish on Thursday.

Mrs. Henry Smith has been spending several days with friends in Springfield.

Mrs. Minnie Carewe of Monson has been spending several days with Mrs. Ernest Motchman.

E. Belding spent last week with his sons Everett of Greenfield and Dr. Belding of Worchester.

Harry Venolt has gone back to his work at Mt Hermon after being sick with grip for more than a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bassett who have been at Turners Falls for several weeks, returned on Saturday.

E. B. Buffum and Mrs. Henry Smith attended the funeral of Frank Stebbins at Brattleboro on Monday.

Merton A. Hooper is moving his family into the Martineau tenement recently vacated by Samuel Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. William Pearson are receiving congratulations on a baby daughter born at Burlington on February 7.

Several from here attended the Ski Jump at Brattleboro on Wednesday. Kyle Amsden of this place was one of the participants in the sport.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Church entered a party of eight in honor of their nineteenth wedding anniversary, February 6. A Dutch supper was served and progressive dominoes played. They were presented with a pyre baking dish.

The Community Social held at Buffum's hall Tuesday evening was a great success. A play entitled, "The Bachelor's Banquet" was given by home talent and all deserve much credit. The newspaper with local hits and jokes written and read by Mrs. B. F. Spiller was enjoyed by all, also the musical program.

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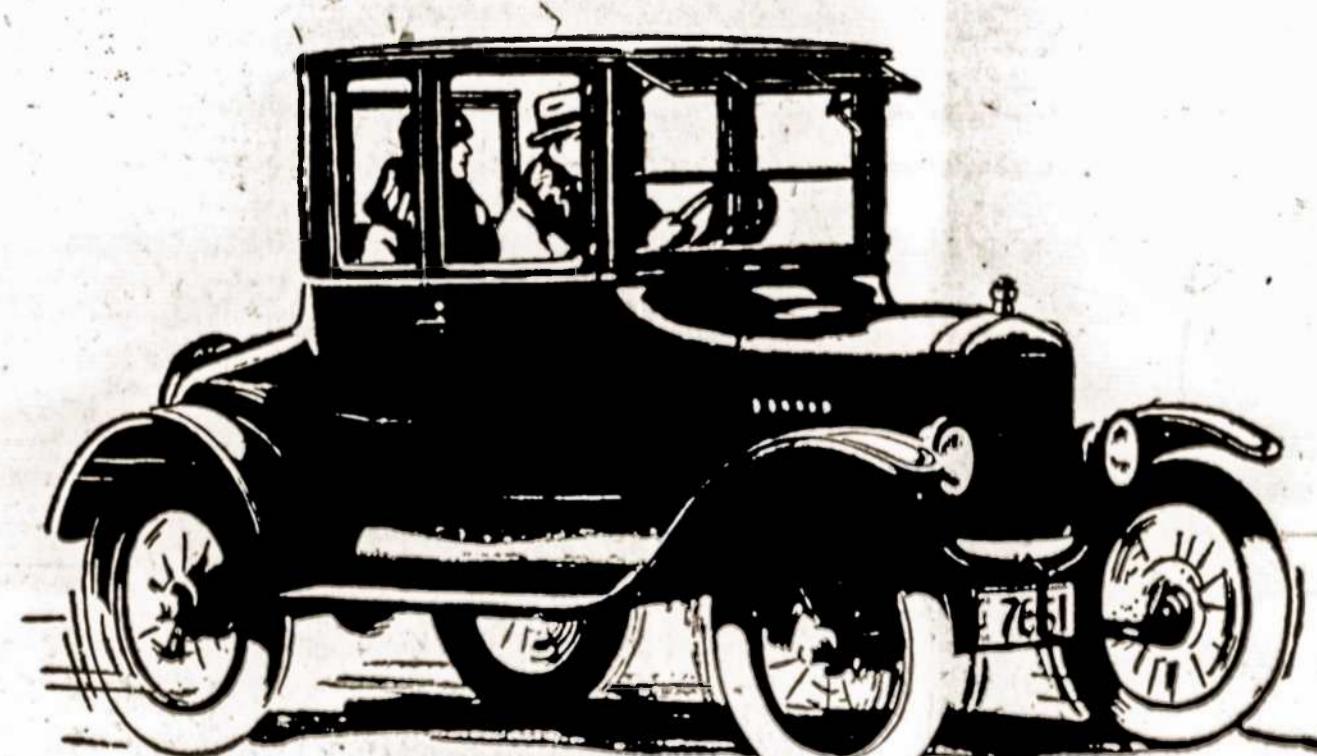
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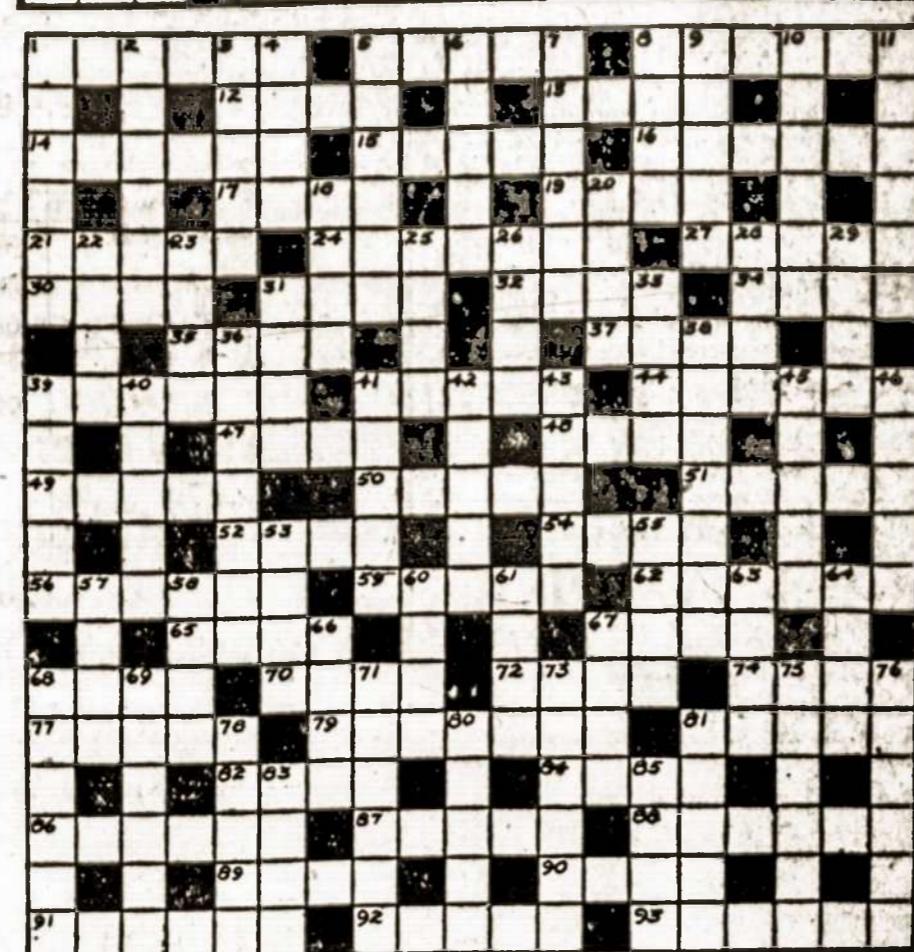
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**CROSS-WORD PUZZLE**

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**Horizontal.**

- 1—Ancient goblet
- 5—Puzzle
- 8—Noiseless
- 12—Degree
- 13—Baking place
- 14—Consolidation
- 15—Skeleton of certain marine polyps
- 16—Untrue
- 17—Close with wax
- 18—Gloss
- 21—Proclamation
- 24—Felt with pleasure
- 27—Cleanse lightly with clean water
- 30—Uncivil
- 31—Tardy
- 32—Jewish mystic ornament
- 34—Rent
- 35—Stair
- 37—Become weary
- 38—Seclude
- 41—Melted
- 44—Used
- 45—Long stuffed seat
- 46—High fives
- 49—Personal servant
- 50—Half-wit
- 51—Forcibly concise
- 52—Island
- 54—Mineralized vegetable matter
- 56—Drink habitually
- 58—Compact
- 60—Retail in small quantities
- 65—Texas wildcat
- 67—Dry
- 68—Land measure
- 70—A liberty
- 72—Extends over
- 73—Household task
- 75—Gangway aid
- 81—Worship
- 82—Endure
- 84—Object of worship
- 86—Circumlocution
- 87—Dye
- 88—Pertaining to a ray
- 89—Presiding dignitary
- 90—Garment
- 91—Part of the eye
- 92—Style of painting
- 93—Account book

The solution will appear in next issue.

**Solution of Last Week's Puzzle.**

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**HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE**  
When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obscure forms are indicated in the definitions.

**NURSERY RHYME PUZZLE**

**POLLY** wants a cracker—  
That's all you ever say.  
Ask politely for it, and  
Your wishes I'll obey.

Find two other persons. Upper corner right down, along back of girl; upper left corner down, along front of girl.

**"OLD-SALT" TALES**

By CAPTAIN IRA PERKINS

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**Talking Bullets**

"DANGER, nowadays, never seems to lurk in an odd corner and then jump out at a fellow like it used to when you were a boy," little Tommy Radnor was complaining to the captain. As he said these words, Tommy, along with the captain and other nine boys who made up the captain's usual crew of listeners, sat at the sea end of the long, new pier and fished.

No one said anything for a moment. "Boys," then asked the captain, "do you all think you'd like some adventure? Not just a game of some sort, but a few thrilling moments when your lives would be in grave danger?"

Again there was a moment of silence.

Then blue-eyed Tommy Radnor broke out impetuously: "Sure, I would. We all would. I would like it fine." And Tommy puffed up his chest and tried to look brave and manly.

"Perhaps," said quiet Bobby Treat. "Perhaps it wouldn't be so much fun as you think."

Quite an argument started. At last some of the boys began to get angry. The captain saw this, so he interfered.

"Tommy, Bobby, all of you," he called sharply, "this is no way to get along on the very day your new club is started. If the club is to be worth while you will all have to learn to stick together. Any arguing should be done with outsiders, and even that isn't in the least necessary."

"Let's get in a circle and shake hands all 'round," suggested Bobby. The ring was formed. They started to shake hands.

"Whiz-z-zap! something went through the air above their heads with an angry hiss. Zip-z-split-t-something struck the pier and knocked up a tiny shower of splinters. Then they heard the sound of rifle shots. On the shore to their right were tiny flashes.

"Quick! Down behind the logs here!" snapped the captain. There was a ringing note of command in his voice and the boys did as he told them with no questions.

The rifle shots kept up. But the boys were safe, now. On looking out toward the seaward side of the pier, they saw a medium-sized steam launch. Bullets were splashing in the water about it. Evidently the men on shore had been shooting toward the launch without really intending to hit anyone on the pier.

"Look! See what they are doing on the launch!" It was quiet Bobby Treat's voice, and it was steady and clear.

The fact of the matter was that the boat was a revenue cutter with a little one-pound quick-firer mounted in the bow. The revenue men had taken the canvas cover off the gun and made ready to open fire.

Bang! Bang! went the gun. Shells whistled toward the shore. In a moment the rifle firing was silenced. Then the revenue men stopped shooting also.

The captain climbed back on top of the pier and waved his hat. "Ahoy, there is the cutter!" he shouted. "What's up?"

The officer in charge of the revenue men recognized the captain and stepped the cutter alongside the pier.

"Just some smugglers," he said. "Desperate characters all of them. It's a good thing we were ready. They have stopped at nothing, and only yesterday fired at one of our unarmed launches. We thought we'd fool them this time and brought the little one-pounder along. Some of my men are posted on the hills back of the swamp over there, where the smugglers operate. No one can get through that way and we'll get any who try to sneak away in boats. Good-by, captain, glad none of your crew of boys was hurt."

And the revenue men were on their way toward the swamp where the smugglers were hiding.

"Well, you've had quite a bit of adventure today," said the captain. "How does it set with you?"

The captain looked at Tommy Radnor. But Tommy just hung his head.

Then Sammy Treat said: "I'll tell you what I think. I think it would have hurt like everything to have had one of those bullets hit you. That's what I think."

Most of the boys nodded their heads in assent to this. And they all agreed, as they started home, that the club had got a real initiation on the day it was founded. Before they separated they all formed a circle and each boy shook hands with every one of the others. The club was a real club now.

**SPORT HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST**

Boxing is prohibited in Hull, England, except for women.

The year 1924 goes on record as a year singularly barren of championship pugilistic events.

British polo players will begin practicing next spring for the next international contest in 1927.

Vern Clemons, since 1919 a catcher for the St. Louis Cardinals, announces that he is giving up baseball.

The high run record for 18.2 billiards is 1,000, made by W. W. Spink of Los Angeles in 1912.

Joe Riggert, veteran outfielder for St. Paul of the American association, has been sold outright to Tulsa of the Western league.

Ollie Chill has been re-engaged as an umpire in the American association. He has turned his signed contract over to President Hickley.

Dave Bancroft of the Boston Nationals and Umpire Hank O'Day consider Traylor of Pittsburgh the best third baseman in the major leagues.

Plans have been virtually completed for the formation of a new inter-collegiate chess league, composed of Yale, Harvard, Princeton and West Point.

Ohio State university spent almost as much money for intramural athletics last season as it did for varsity football. The school sports cost \$18,500 while the grid game set them back less than \$20,000.

Arthur F. ("Ben") Egan, recently signed as an assistant to Wilbert Robinson, manager of the Brooklyn National league baseball club, has been engaged by Cornell university for indoor coaching of its baseball battery candidates.

**Anatomy From Dissection**

Antonio Pollalolo, the celebrated Italian painter and sculptor, born at Florence in 1429, died at Rome, in 1498, is said to have been the first artist who had a practical knowledge of anatomy from dissection.

John B. (Hans) Lobert has been re-appointed head coach of the army's baseball squad.

Sylv Bauer of Chicago, famous back-stroke swimmer, set 21 new records in competition during the year just ended.

J. W. Nagle of Providence was unanimously elected captain of the Brown university cross-country team for next season.

Pitcher Red Faber says that under Eddie Collins the White Sox will show itself to be at least 20 ball games better than last season.

Helen Wills, women's national singles and doubles tennis champion, is now taking lessons in golf at the Marin Country club, San Rafael, Cal.

Al Mamaux, former Pittsburgh and Brooklyn National league pitcher and a member of the New York Americans during the 1924 season, has been sold outright to the Minneapolis club in the American association.

Col. Joseph Ruppert, owner of the New York Yankees, has been named a member of the committee which will have charge of the international gold cup speed race championship meet late in August.

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